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Ryan/Kennedy lane changes at Jane Byrne

Two ramps reopen: Ike to Kennedy and Kennedy to Lake Street

CHICAGO – The Illinois Department of Transportation announced today that as part of the ongoing Jane Byrne Interchange reconstruction, stage changes are scheduled to take place on the inbound Dan Ryan Expressway (Interstate 90/94) beginning, weather permitting, Tuesday, Nov. 22.

Starting at 10 p.m. Tuesday, lane closures are scheduled to take place on the inbound Dan Ryan. At least one inbound Ryan lane will be open at all times, with all lanes fully reopening by 5 a.m. Wednesday in a new lane configuration.

In the new configuration:

- There will continue to be five inbound lanes near 14th Street. The exit to Ida B. Wells Drive/outbound Eisenhower Expressway (Interstate 290) and the Roosevelt Road exit will remain the same.
- The right lane will split near Roosevelt Road to connect to the collector-distributor road to access the exit ramps to Washington Boulevard, Madison, Randolph and Lake streets, then continues north to rejoin the outbound Kennedy at Lake Street.
- The three left lanes to the northbound Kennedy Expressway (I-90/94) will be in their final configuration, and traffic will not be able to exit until Ohio Street.

At the same time, the outbound Kennedy exit ramp to Lake Street and the outbound Eisenhower/Ida B. Wells Drive ramp to the outbound Kennedy will reopen.

The new configuration will allow the right lanes to be built between Van Buren and Madison streets as part of construction on the mainline lanes of the Kennedy/Dan Ryan, remaining in place through late December. The four mainline lanes of Kennedy and Dan Ryan through the interchange are expected to be open, weather permitting, in late December.

As ongoing work continues, motorists should expect significant delays and allow extra time for trips through this area. Drivers are urged to pay close attention to flaggers and signs in the work zones, obey the posted speed limits and be on the alert for workers and equipment.

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The overall reconstruction project at the Jane Byrne Interchange will improve safety and traffic flow for the more than 400,000 motorists who use it each day, while also enhancing mobility for bicyclists, pedestrians and transit users in the surrounding neighborhoods.

For more information, visit <u>www.janebyrneinterchange.org</u>. The mobile-friendly website features a detailed project timeline with an interactive map, photo galleries, a live camera feed of the work zone, and the ability to submit guestions and comments to the project team via a "Contact Us" link.

The improved Jane Byrne Interchange will be substantially completed by the end of this year.

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